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## BLACK MAGIC IN GEOPHYSICAL PROSPECTING<sup>1</sup>

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EDITOR'S NOTE: *The term "doodle-bug" is coming more and more to mean proposed methods of geophysical prospecting that are neither based upon scientific fact nor upon known or proven properties of oil, minerals and geologic formations. The geophysicist is often consulted concerning the reliability of such a proposed method, and his task then is to explain scientifically just why the proposed method fails and is unsuitable for the intended purpose.*